Agricultural University, Pantnagar has set up its campuses;

(b) whether there is any proposal to set up more campuses in Pauri and Chamoli districts;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the time by which these are likely to be set up?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI K.C. LENKA): (a) Sir, The G.B. Pant University has a teaching campus at Ranichauri in the Tehri Garwal District.

(b) No such proposal has been received by the Government of India.

(c) Does not arise

(d) Does not arise.

[*English*]

Exploration of Oil and Natural Gas in Tamil Nadu Coast

2436. SHRI C.K. KUPPUSWAMY: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether any exploration work is going on to find out oil and gas in Tamil Nadu Coast; and

(b) if so, the details and results thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI .S. KRISHAN KUMAR): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Exploratory Drilling is continuing in the coastal districts of South Arcot, Nagapattibnam Quaid-E-Millieth and Ramnad. It is also being pursued by ONGC in the interior districts of Tanjavur and Pudukottai. So far, 9 oil and gas discoveries have been made.

Kerosene Quota to States

2437. SHRI. C.K. KUPPUSWAMY: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the union Government have raised the Kerosene quota for certain States recently; and

(b) if so, the details thereof, state-wise, during the last nine months?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI .S. KRISHAN KUMAR): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

[*Translation*]

Meetings of Indo-Nepal Water Resources Commission

2438. SHRI BHOGENDRA JHA: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) the number of meetings of the Indo-Nepal Water Resources Commission held so far and the decision taken at the last three meetings;

(b) whether any financial assistance has been sought from Japan for the implementation of the Kosi and Tipaimukh Dam Projects;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and